

What is claimed and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is as follows:

1. A decorative article of jewelry configured for visual display to others by a wearer as a container for enclosing memorabilia, said article of jewelry comprising:

a containment body having an interior compartment, said containment body having at least one opening configured for accommodating insertion of memorabilia into said interior compartment thereof;

a releasable closure member for configuring said article of jewelry between an open configuration in which the memorabilia is insertible into and removable from said interior compartment and a closed configuration in which the memorabilia is retained within said interior compartment;

an adaptor having one portion configured for permanent and fixed engagement with said containment body and another portion configured for engagement with said closure member, said adaptor being provided for accommodating coupling of said closure member to said containment body;

said containment body, said releasable closure member and said adaptor being connectable together to provide a decorative article of jewelry configured for visual display to others by a wearer; and

a securement assembly for securing said adaptor within said containment body.

2. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, wherein said containment body is constructed from substantially transparent mineral crystal that establishes a prismatic-effect when viewing memorabilia contained therein.

3. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, wherein said containment body is constructed from opaque mineral crystal thereby obscuring visibility thereof through of memorabilia contained within said containment body.

4. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
a loop integrally constructed upon said releasable closure member, said loop configured to receive a chain upon which said decorative article of jewelry is suspended upon the wearer.

5. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, wherein said adaptor is tubular in shape for permitting passage of the memorabilia thereof through into and out of said interior compartment.

6. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 5, wherein a lower portion of said adaptor is configured for permanent and fixed engagement with said containment body and said portion configured for engagement with said closure member is adapted for releasable engagement with said closure member.

7. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, wherein said at least one opening into said interior compartment of said containment body forms a mouth that is configured for accommodating insertion therein of at least a part of said adaptor.

8. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 7, wherein an interior surficial shape of said mouth is configured for establishing a substantial conformance fit about an exterior surface of said part of said portion of said adaptor configured for insertion into said mouth of said containment body.

9. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, wherein said securement assembly is a fastener being applied to a portion of said adaptor.

10. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, wherein said securement assembly having at least one set screw receiving aperture extending through said containment body between an exterior surface of said containment body and an interior surface of said mouth, said set screw receiving aperture being transversely oriented to a longitudinal axis of said adaptor.

11. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 10, wherein said at least one set screw receiving aperture numbers two set screw receiving apertures, each of said two set screw receiving apertures being opposingly positioned one to the other across said mouth of said containment body.

12. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 11, further comprising:

two set screws, each threadedly engaged within one of said two set screw receiving apertures and each of said two set screws being positioned in abutting engagement with said adaptor when said containment body, said releasable closure member and said adaptor are connected together.

13. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 12, wherein said portion of said adaptor inserted into said mouth of said containment body further comprises a receiving area upon said exterior surface thereof for abuttingly receiving tips of said two set screws, said receiving area being provided for resisting disengagement of said adaptor from said compartment body when said two set screws are abuttingly engaged upon said receiving area.

14. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 13, wherein said receiving area is located in a recess in said exterior surface of said adaptor.

15. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 13, wherein said receiving area is located in a circumferential groove, said groove encircling said adaptor at said exterior surface of said portion of said adaptor that is configured for insertion into said mouth of said containment body.

16. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 13, wherein said portion of said adaptor inserted into said mouth of said containment body is cylindrically shaped.

17. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 13, wherein said adaptor further comprises a stop surface for abutting a lip of said mouth of said containment body for establishing proper positioning of said adaptor in said mouth of said containment body.

18. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 6, wherein said portion of said adaptor configured for releasable engagement with said closure member is at least partially threaded for mating engagement with a threaded portion of said closure member.

19. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 18, wherein said closure member is a cap having a threaded interior portion configured for mating engagement with said threaded portion of said closure member.

20. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 19, wherein said adaptor further comprises a stop for abuttingly engaging an advancing surface of said cap thereby ceasing advancement of said cap upon said at least partially threaded portion of said adaptor.

21. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
said closure member having a plurality of flat exterior surfaces arranged for alignment with corresponding flat exterior surfaces of the containment body.

22. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 21, further comprising:
proper alignment between said flat exterior surfaces of said closure member and said flat exterior surfaces of said containment body being achieved utilizing a lower stop surface of said closure member that is configured to halt advancement of the closure member onto the adaptor when an upper lip of a mouth to the interior compartment of the containment body is abutted.

23. A method for providing a decorative article of jewelry configured for visual display to others by a wearer as a container for enclosing memorabilia, said method comprising:

providing a containment body, said containment body having at least one opening configured for accommodating insertion of memorabilia into an interior compartment thereof;

providing a releasable closure member for configuring said article of jewelry between an open configuration in which the memorabilia is insertible into and removable from said

interior compartment and a closed configuration in which the memorabilia is retained within said interior compartment;

installing an adaptor having one portion configured for permanent and fixed engagement with said containment body and another portion configured for engagement with said closure member; said adaptor being provided for accommodating coupling of said closure member to said containment body; and

suspending said decorative article of jewelry about a wearer's neck by a loop integrally constructed upon said releasable closure member thereby establishing a decorative article of jewelry configured for visual display to others by the wearer comprising said containment body, said releasable closure member and said adaptor.

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24. The method for providing an article of jewelry in claim 23, further comprising:

configuring said closure member to have a plurality of flat exterior surfaces arranged for alignment with corresponding flat exterior surfaces of the containment body.

25. The method for providing an article of jewelry in claim 23, further comprising:

affecting proper alignment between said flat exterior surfaces of said closure member and said flat exterior surfaces of said containment body being achieved utilizing a lower stop surface of said closure member that is configured to halt advancement of the closure member onto the adaptor when an upper lip of a mouth to the interior compartment of the containment body is abutted.

26. A decorative article of jewelry configured for visual display to others by a wearer as a container for enclosing memorabilia, said article of jewelry comprising:

a containment body having an interior compartment, said containment body having at least one opening configured for accommodating insertion of memorabilia into said interior compartment thereof;

a releasable closure member for configuring said article of jewelry between an open configuration in which the memorabilia is insertible into and removable from said interior compartment and a closed configuration in which the memorabilia is retained within said interior compartment;

an adaptor having one portion configured for permanent and fixed engagement with said containment body and another portion configured for engagement with said closure member, said adaptor being provided for accommodating coupling of said closure member to said containment body;

said adaptor being tubular in shape for permitting passage of the memorabilia there through into and out of said interior compartment;

said portion of said adaptor configured for engagement with said containment body being adapted for releasable engagement with said containment body and said portion configured for engagement with said closure member is adapted for releasable engagement with said closure member;

said at least one opening into said interior compartment of said containment body forming a mouth that is configured for accommodating insertion therein of at least a part of said portion of said adaptor configured for releasable engagement with said containment body;

an interior surficial shape of said mouth configured for establishing a substantial conformance fit about an exterior surface of said part of said portion of said adaptor configured for insertion into said mouth of said containment body;

a releasable securement assembly for releasably securing said adaptor within said mouth of said containment body; and

at least one set screw receiving aperture extending through said containment body between an exterior surface of said containment body and an interior surface of said mouth, said set screw receiving aperture being transversely oriented to a longitudinal axis of said adaptor.

27. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 9, wherein said fastener is an adhesive.

28. The decorative article of jewelry as recited in claim 27, wherein said adhesive is selected from the group consisting of glue, epoxy, thermosetting resin or polymer resin.

29. A decorative article of jewelry configured for visual display to others by a wearer as a container for enclosing memorabilia, said article of jewelry comprising:

a containment body having an interior compartment, said containment body having at least one opening configured for accommodating insertion of memorabilia into said interior compartment thereof;

a releasable closure member for configuring said article of jewelry between an open configuration in which the memorabilia is insertible into and removable from said interior compartment and a closed configuration in which the memorabilia is retained within said interior compartment;

an adaptor having one portion configured for permanent and fixed engagement with said containment body and another portion configured for engagement with said closure

member, said adaptor being provided for accommodating coupling of said closure member to said containment body;

said adaptor being tubular in shape for permitting passage of the memorabilia there through into and out of said interior compartment;

said portion of said adaptor configured for engagement with said containment body being adapted for releasable engagement with said containment body and said portion configured for engagement with said closure member is adapted for releasable engagement with said closure member;

said at least one opening into said interior compartment of said containment body forming a mouth that is configured for accommodating insertion therein of at least a part of said portion of said adaptor configured for engagement with said containment body;

a fastener affixed to said portion of said adaptor;

an interior surficial shape of said mouth configured for establishing a substantial conformance fit about an exterior surface of said part of said portion of said adaptor configured for insertion into said mouth of said containment body; and

a releasable securement assembly for releasably securing said adaptor within said mouth of said containment body.